

South Dakota

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LIVESTOCK PRICES DOWN FROM LAST MONTH

SIoux FALLS, September 29, 1999 -- Preliminary livestock prices for September decreased from last month, according to USDA's South Dakota Ag Statistics Service. Preliminary September wheat prices increased this month, as did most other crop prices.

The preliminary September, all beef cattle price, at \$69.80, was up 50 cents from last month and up \$11.90 from last year. Steers and heifers, at \$74.50, were down 80 cents from August but \$13.50 above September of last year. Calves, at \$93.00, were up 10 cents from last month and \$13.50 higher than last September.

The preliminary August all hog price, at \$36.20, was unchanged from last month but up \$5.30 from last year. Barrows and gilts were \$5.20 higher than last year while sows were up 5.70.

The preliminary all wheat price for September, at \$2.63, was up 10 cents from last month and up 9 cents from last year. The winter wheat price, at \$2.32, was up 24 cents from last month and up 12 cents from last September. The spring wheat price, at \$2.74 was up 4 cents from last month and up 4 cents from last year. The September soybean price, at \$4.31, was down 5 cents from last month and down 38 cents from last year. The corn price, at \$1.43, was down 16 cents from last month and down 3 cents from last year. The preliminary all sunflower price, at \$7.29, was up 4 cents from last month but down \$3.01 from last year.

The all hay price for September, at \$43.00 per ton, remained steady from August, but was \$12.00 below last year. The alfalfa price, at \$46.00 per ton, was down \$2.00 from last month and down \$14.00 from last year. The other hay price, at \$32.00, was unchanged from last month and down 3.00 from September 1998.

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COMMODITY	UNIT	September 1998 1/	August 1999 1/	September 1999 2/
----- DOLLARS -----				
Corn	Bu.	1.46	1.59	1.43
Soybeans	Bu.	4.69	4.36	4.31
Sunflowers	Cwt.	10.30	7.25	7.29
Wheat, All	Bu.	2.54	2.53	2.63
Winter	Bu.	2.20	2.08	2.32
Other Spring	Bu.	2.70	2.70	2.74
Durum	Bu.	5/	2.22	2.80
Barley, All	Bu.	1.93	2.15	2.13
Feed	Bu.	1.45	1.36	1.38
Malt	Bu.	5/	5/	5/
Oats	Bu.	.90	0.95	0.96
Flaxseed	Bu.	5/	5/	5/
Cattle, All Beef 3/	Cwt.	57.90	69.30	69.80
Cows	Cwt.	35.50	37.60	35.40
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	61.00	75.30	74.50
Calves 4/	Cwt.	79.50	92.90	93.00
Hogs, All	Cwt.	30.90	36.20	36.20
Barrows & Gilts	Cwt.	32.50	38.00	37.70
Sows	Cwt.	19.10	25.20	24.80
Lambs	Cwt.	72.10	81.30	NA
Sheep	Cwt.	29.40	27.80	NA
Hay, All	Ton	55.00	43.00	43.00
Alfalfa	Ton	60.00	48.00	46.00
Other	Ton	35.00	32.00	32.00

1/ Entire month. 2/ Mid-month. 3/ Over 500 lbs. 4/ Under 500 lbs. 5/ Price not published to avoid disclosure of individual buyers. NA = Not Available.

